ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A requesting device and a completer device are coupled via a high-speed serial interface within a computer system. The requesting device transmits a packet for a request transaction to a completer device. The completer device checks for error conditions in the course of servicing the request. If an error condition is found then the completer device transmits a completion packet with a completion status of something other than successful. The completion packet includes a completer identification field. The requesting device records the completer identification value and indicates in a register that a completion packet has been received with a non-successful completion status.